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Claim Amendments

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claims 2 - 10 (withdrawn)

a' Claim 11 (currently amended): An absorbable polyester according to claim 1, wherein the polyester chain comprises one or more monomers selected from the group consisting of L-lactic acid, D-lactic acid, DL-lactic acid, malic acid, citric acid, tartaric acid, ~~ε-caprolactone~~, ε-caproic acid, alkylene oxalate, cycloalkylene oxalate, alkylene succinate, β-hydroxybutyrate, glycolide, glycolic acid, L-lactide, D-lactide, DL-lactide, meso-lactide, trimethylene carbonate, p-dioxanone, 1,5-dioxepan-2-one and 1,4-dioxepan-2-one and any optically active isomers, racemates, or copolymers thereof.

Claim 12 (original): An absorbable polyester according to claim 11 further comprising one or more polyethylene glycol segments covalently linked to said polyester.

Claims 13 - 18 (withdrawn)

Claim 19 (currently amended): An absorbable ~~polymer~~ polyester according to claim ~~1~~ 11 for use as an acidic excipient of a cyanoacrylate composition.

Claims 20 - 28 (withdrawn)
